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I urge you to NOT RELAX the broadcast ownership rules that protect ALL AMERICANS from media monopolies !!

These proposed changes would surely pave the way for the already very large media conglomerates to gain near total control of television and radio news information delivery to the public in many communities across the entire nation. As you may already be aware, many of these corporations that are currently lobbying the FCC to relax these ownership rules already have an established track record in attempting to keep opposing viewpoints off the air

Doing so changes their industry-wide mission of "reporting the news to the public" to "influencing the public with their version of the news", making what is commonly "presented as news" really <u>propaganda</u> This is contrary to the principles of a "free press" in this country, which is one of the guiding principles the FCC is charged with protecting

The American people deserve, indeed it is their right, to hear more than one point of view on all issues in all markets. Therefore, for the sake of freedom of the press, as well as for our democracy and our freedom, I urge you to continue the broadcast ownership protections that, for decades, have helped to insure an informed public and a healthy political debate in our country. Anything less will convert American media into a third world equivalent of near or actual dictatorial controlled media. That is simply not acceptable and is un-American.

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To: The Secretary, FCC Commissioners, and Chief, Media Bureau In the Matter of 2002 Biennial Regulatory Review - Review of the

I am writing to urge you NOT to relax the regulations that restrict the amount of the media that one person or corporation can acquire. There are many reasons why keeping or even increasing, restrictions is important. Your responsibility is to the people of this country not to the corporations and individuals who want to control information and make money.

I support media diversity. This is important to democracy in order to be sure that all ideas get out to the public so that intelligent decisions can be made by the electorate. Democracy depends - is predicated - on free and accurate information. Large corporations owning big sections of the media leads to a limited spectrum of views. There is already too much control of all the media by large corporations. The needs of free enterprise (not being part of the Constitution) must give way to the needs of a healthy democracy. It is in the public interest to limit the market power of huge corporations/companies.

Furthermore, there should be much more debate about this whole subject before a decision is made. Hearings should be opened to the public on a national scale, rather than having just a few Washington DC area hearings.

I am still bothered by the way that the People's spectrum was sold off to corporations without clear and abundant public service requirements being placed on the "winners" of the bidding. The health of our democracy is in question as a result of the lack of true diversity of all the media.

Thanks you for your attention to this matter.

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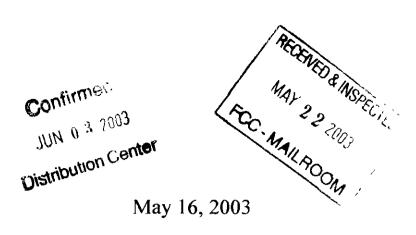
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Dear Mrs. Abernathy,

Please <u>do not</u> relax the media ownership rules that protect America and Americans from monopolies. Monopolies, any monopolies, are an anathema to freedom.

Monopolies are difficult to control under the best of circumstances. They are impossible to control when turned loose. We have a prime example of such a monopoly right here in this area with our Q West telephone company.

Monopoly owners are, of course, in favor of anything that will benefit themselves financially or otherwise, it is the easy way. I, as a victim of monopolies, am in favor of restricting them from unlimited power.

Thank you for your help.

Sincerely,

Mr. E. L. Griswold

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Dear Mr. Powell,

Please do not (DO NOT, that is) relax the media ownership rules that protect Americans from broadcast monopolies. Broadcast monopolies are one of the bases of dictatorships.

America and Americans deserve protection from anyone and anybody who would totally control our minds, our thoughts and our actions. Media moguls appear to be hell-bent on attaining that kind of control. It is one step in establishing a dictatorship in our country.

Please, please stop them and stop them now. Monopolies, especially uncontrolled monopolies, are an anathema to freedom, American freedom or anyone's freedom.

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